

**Introduced by Senator Scott**

February 17, 2005

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An act to add Article 1 (commencing with Section 42200) to Chapter 7 of Part 24 of the Education Code, relating to education finance.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 428, as introduced, Scott. Weighted per pupil funding.

(1) Existing law requires the county superintendent of schools to determine a revenue limit for each school district in the county pursuant to a specified formula.

This bill would, commencing with the 2006-07 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, authorize a school district to elect to receive school funding on a weighted per pupil basis, in lieu of receiving revenue limit funding. The bill would impose a state-mandated local program by requiring the county superintendent of schools to compute an annual entitlement for weighted per pupil funding pursuant to a specified formula for each school district that elects to receive the weighted per pupil funding.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Article 1 (commencing with Section 42200) is added to Chapter 7 of Part 24 of the Education Code, to read:

Article 1. Weighted Per Pupil Funding

42200. (a) Commencing with the 2006-07 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, a school district may elect to receive school funding pursuant to this article in lieu of funding that may otherwise be claimed pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 42238).

(b) The county superintendent of schools shall compute an annual entitlement for weighted per pupil funding for each school district in the county that elects to receive funding pursuant to this article. Funding shall be computed as follows:

(1) For each school in the school district, determine the average monthly enrollment for the school year as provided in Section 42202.

(2) Apply weighting factors to the average monthly enrollment of each school as provided in Section 42204.

(3) Multiply the weighted average monthly enrollment of each school by the prior year funding per pupil of each school prior to the application of weighting factors, but as adjusted for inflation pursuant to Section 42206.

(c) The Superintendent shall apportion to each school district that elects to receive funding pursuant to this article the amount determined pursuant to subdivision (b) for each school less the sum of the following:

(1) The property tax revenue received by the school district pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 95) of Part 0.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(2) The amount, if any, received by a school district pursuant to Part 18.5 (commencing with Section 38101) of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(3) The amount, if any, received by a school district pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 16140) of Part 1 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(4) Taxes in prior years and taxes on the unsecured roll.

1 (5) Fifty percent of the amount received by a school district  
2 pursuant to Section 41603.

3 (6) The amount, if any, received by a school district pursuant  
4 to the Community Redevelopment Law (Part 1 (commencing  
5 with Section 33000) of Division 24 of the Health and Safety  
6 Code), except for any amount received pursuant to Section 33401  
7 or 33676 of the Health and Safety Code that is used for land  
8 acquisition, facility construction, reconstruction, or remodeling,  
9 or deferred maintenance, except for any amount received  
10 pursuant to Section 33492.15, paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of  
11 Section 33607.5, or Section 33607.7 of the Health and Safety  
12 Code that is allocated exclusively for educational facilities.

13 (7) For a unified school district, other than a unified school  
14 district that has converted all of its schools to charter status  
15 pursuant to Section 47606, the amount of statewide average  
16 general-purpose funding per unit of average daily attendance  
17 received by school districts for each of four grade level ranges, as  
18 computed by the department pursuant to Section 47633,  
19 multiplied by the average daily attendance, in corresponding  
20 grade level ranges, of any pupils who attend charter schools  
21 funded pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 47630)  
22 of Part 26.8 for which the school district is the sponsoring local  
23 educational agency, as defined in Section 47632, and who reside  
24 in and would otherwise have been eligible to attend a noncharter  
25 school of the school district.

26 42202. (a) For purposes of Section 42200, the average  
27 monthly enrollment of a school for a school year shall be  
28 computed by adding the enrollment of pupils for each month  
29 during the school year and dividing that amount by the number of  
30 months in the school year.

31 (b) A pupil may be counted as enrolled for one month in a  
32 public school if that pupil is enrolled in that school for any  
33 minimum schoolday that occurs during the month.

34 42204. For purposes of this article, the average monthly  
35 enrollment of a school may be multiplied by weighting factors  
36 determined pursuant to law.

37 42206. For the 2007-08 fiscal year, and each fiscal year  
38 thereafter, the percentage inflation adjustment shall be equal to  
39 the percentage change in the annual average value of the Implicit  
40 Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of

1 Goods and Services for the United States, as published by the  
2 United States Department of Commerce for the 12-month period  
3 ending in the third quarter of the prior fiscal year. This  
4 percentage change shall be determined using the latest data  
5 available as of May 1 of the preceding fiscal year compared with  
6 the annual average value of the same deflator for the 12-month  
7 period ending in the third quarter of the second preceding fiscal  
8 year, using the latest data available as of May 1 of the second  
9 preceding fiscal year, as reported by the Department of Finance.  
10 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that  
11 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to  
12 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made  
13 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division  
14 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.